





Murder charge laid one year later

CRIME RCMP in central Alberta have laid a murder charge nearly a year after a drive-by shooting that killed a 29-year-old man.

Brandon Prevey was sitting in his Jeep in a quiet Red Deer neighbourhood last April when a black car pulled up and shots were

An RCMP spokeswoman says a black truck was also at the scene of the crime.

She says police are still investigating because they believe the shooting was gang-related. Christopher Fleig, who is 25, is charged with first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit murder. He has made his first court appearance and reserved his plea until April 6. Prevey made headlines in 2005 after a 20-year-old man was stabbed to death and four people were shot or stabbed at a party in west Edmonton.



Rabbit Hill Catching air



Michael Paskevich takes to the air during the first annual Frozen Gears bike race at Rabbit Hill yesterday. Slush Cup, the most anticipated event of the spring break season, goes today. Today is the last day Rabbit Hill will be open for the winter season.

Police hunt suspect

Arrest warrants issued after nightclub gunfight

ANDREAS MORSE Metro Edmonton

Police have issued several warrants for the arrest of a man suspected in a shooting outside an exotic **nightclub last Friday.**Justin Samuels, 22, is

wanted on numerous warrants including assault with a weapon and two counts of possession of an offensive weapon dangerous to the public, after he allegedly fired several rounds to-

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• Police are asking anyone information Samuels' whereabouts to call the EPS non-emergency line at 780-423-4567.

wards patrons standing outside the west end club.

"Considering the seriousness of the incident and the arrest warrants, police advise the public that this suspect is armed and danger-



proached." Thenu said if citizens do spot the suspect, they should call police immedi-

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not be ap-

ately. On March 26, Samuels was kicked out of Diva's Exotic Ultra Lounge on 166 Street and 109 Avenue after a female employee was allegedly assaulted by a man inside the bar. The suspect left the club but came back shortly after and fired several shots before fleeing in a black GMC Envoy SUV

No one was injured in the shooting. Samuels is also linked to a 1999, two-door, silver Honda Prelude with Alberta licence plate number ZMM 425.

RCMP sets up April blitz on speeders

DRIVING Alberta RCMP are gearing up to slow things down in April.

"Speeding is one of the most common causes of collisions on Alberta's streets and highways, said Insp. James Stiles of Division Traffic Services. 'Our goal is to bring awareness to Albertans about the seriousness of speeding."

Throughout April, RCMP and police agencies across the province will be doing vehicle checks focusing on speeding. Speed-related collision statistics tend to rise dramatically in April.

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News in brief

RELIGION Edmonton's 30th An-

nual Outdoor Way of the Cross

Friday. The walk is meant to re-

walk will take place on Good

inforce concerns about social justice, and people of all faiths

are invited. The walk will start

at 10 a.m. at Boyle Street Com-

about two hours, ending at the

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Basking in Olympic victory University honours h

Local athletes celebrate medal wins in Churchill Square

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Hundreds of people draped in red came down to Churchill Square to honour Edmonton-area Olympians and Paralympians from the Vancouver Games.

Shannon Szabados and Meaghan Mikkelson, of the gold members medal winning women,s hockey team, Olympic champion curler Kevin Martin, five-time medalist Viviane Forest, and a handful of other athletes and technicians were on hand to bask in the celebration.

Winning gold on home territory has been an experience that Szabados said has not only been euphoric but hectic since their victory over the United States.

"It's been a whirlwind," she said. "Everyone wants to share my experiences and to see the gold medal."

Szabados said that everyone not only wants to see the gold medal, but to get their hands on it.

"I think probably 70 per cent of Edmonton (has touched it) and about 20 per cent of Canada," she

"When I was younger, there was no girls' league. Now the girls are getting the opportunities."

Shannon Szabados

Since the Olympics Szabados has been making visits to schools to talk about her experiences after the victory, and lists that one beneficial side-effect from this extra boost in popularity is the exposure of female hockey.

"When I was younger there was no girls' league," she said. "Now the girls are getting the opportunities. What they have now is amazing."

Dr. Bob Steadward, who received the Olympic Order in February, was also recognized for his work in advocating for athletes with disabilities and pushing for the creation of the Paralympic Games.

celebrate unimaginable pride." Steadw Canadian Steadward said. You can never underestimate the power of the hu-



Margaret Field and Randall Fraser from the Edmonton Stilt Walkers hand out noise makers to spectators who came down to celebrate Olympic and Paralympic athletes from the capital region.

honours best and brightest

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ACCOLADES Hundreds of award winners from the University of Alberta were recognized for their contributions yesterday evening.

Now in its second year, the University's Celebration of Research and Innovation acknowledges the accomplishments of over 1.000 students and researchers who have recently won nation and international accolades.

"It's a really good crop of exceptional [people], said Lorne Babiuk, vicepresident of research at the U of A. "This reflects the quality of people that we have.

Babiuk said that an event like this is not only good for revealing the talents of the individuals, but it helps raise awareness about the school as a whole

"We have some very talented individuals ... and that brings glory to the University," he said. "As a result it brings better quality students that want to work with our researchers. If our university has individuals that have prestigious awards clearly it increases [our] reputation.'

Over the last two years, the University of Alberta has drawn in the second highest amount of research dollars of any university in Canada, second only to the University

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Greenpeace's tar sands documentary hits DVD, iTunes

FILM A documentary that films Alberta's Athabasca tar sands from above made its debut on DVD and iTunes yesterday.

Greenpeace and Peter Mettler's Petropolis: Aerial Perspectives on the Alberta Sands explores the

"What the film shows could be shocking to some people." Peter Mettler

clash between industry

and earth and uses views from a helicopter to show the wasteland left behind. "I think that what the film shows could be shocking to some people," Met-tler said. "Ultimately, we see it as a catalyst for discussion and a conduit to

more information."

The film has screened at a variety of festivals worldwide, including the Toronto International Film Festival, and was recently nominated for a Genie Award for Best Short Documen-METRO EDMONTON

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Canada



Fugitive's fate to be decided

Canadian authorities are expected to decide today whether an American fugitive, who was on an alleged quest to buy a child over the Internet, will be deported to the U.S. Police in Thunder Bay, Ont., arrested Patrick Molesti, 56, of Woodstock, Ga., on Friday night at the Greyhound Bus terminal after the Canada Border Services Agency issued an immigration warrant. U.S. police have been looking for Molesti, a French national, for almost two weeks. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Afghan mission done in 2011: PM

Prime Minister Stephen Harper is making it crystal clear Canada's military mission in Afghanistan is done next year, even as G8 foreign ministers affirm the need to stay the course in Afghanistan.

The G8 ministers con-cluded their meeting in Gatineau, Que., yesterday with a wide-ranging declaration on the precarious state of global security.

That included the need to prevent terrorism from spreading across the world from Afghanistan.

But Harper told U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton that Canada has no intention of extending its Afghan military mission beyond its 2011 with-



U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton looks towards Prime Minister Stephen Harper as he makes a statement at the G8 Foreign Ministers' Meeting at the Chateau Cartier in Gatineau. Que.

drawal deadline.

The issue was forced into the spotlight because Clinton told a Canadian TV audi-

ence on the eve of the meeting that the U.S. would like Canadian troops to extend their stay. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Housing gap hurts: Think-tank

ECONOMICS A gap in the supply of affordable housing has left one-fifth of Canadians struggling to afford the homes they live in and that's having an adverse effect on national productivity, a prominent think-tank said Tuesday.

The Conference Board of Canada's report, dubbed Building from the Ground Up, concludes many Canadians can only keep a roof

Board says...

About 75 per cent of Canadians are currently living in homes they can afford, the Conference Board said, adding a further five per cent have their housing costs subsidized by the government

over their heads by cutting costs in ways that could

as buying less nutritious food. The report calls upon governments to partner with real-estate developers and civil organizations to increase the amount of affordable housing in the country, saying such changes would have positive impacts on both Canadians' health and the national productivity level.

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Child porn bust leads to 73 suspects, police claiming

INTERNET A Toronto-area child-pornography arrest has led to a sweeping investigation uncovering 73 suspects in 20 countries, police said yesterday.

The investigation began last November with the arrest of a 29-year-old man in Brampton, Ont., on childpornography and sexual-assault charges, police

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probe global, That went culminating in police gatherevidence ing against the 73 sus-

pects.

This kind of offence knows no bounds in the Internet age, police said.

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World

Babies' bodies found dumped in China river

The bodies of 21 babies, some with hospital identification tags around their tiny ankles, washed ashore on a river in eastern China and two mortuary workers were detained for allegedly dumping them.

News footage yesterday showed the babies — at least one of whom was stuffed in a yellow plastic bag marked "medical waste" — strewn along a dirt riverbank near a high-way overpass. A few wore diapers. Some of the babies appeared several months old, while the official Xinhua News Agency said the bodies included fetuses.

Local residents and firefighters recovered the bodies Monday after they were discovered under a bridge spanning the Guangfu River on the outskirts of Jining in Shandong province.

Hospital ID tags on eight of the babies helped investigators trace them back to the Affiliated Hospital of Jining Medical University, Xinhua reported. Hospital mortuary workers Zhu Zhenyu and Wang Zhijun were fired and taken away by police.

The babies' families had paid the pair to dispose of the bodies, but they instead dumped them at the river.

Three top hospital officials were fired or suspended and the government ordered the Jining Municipal Health Bureau to make a public apology, Xinhua said. "It exposes a serious loophole in the hospital's management and indicates a lack of ethics and legal awareness of some hos-pital staff," Jining city government spokesman Gong Zhenhua said. "It exerts a very negative impact on society and teaches us a profound lesson."

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Consultant says school didn't heed anti-bullying advice before student killed self

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Moscow Day of mourning



A portrait of student Tatyana Akimova, killed in one of Monday's subway blasts in Moscow, is placed at Lubyanka station yesterday. Flowers overflowed from rickety tables in two subway stations in memory of the 39 passengers killed in a double suicide bombing as Russia began a national day of mourning.

Atom smasher breaks own record

SWITZERLAND The world's largest atom smasher conducted its first experiments at conditions nearing those after the Big Bang, breaking its own record for high-energy collisions with proton beams crashing into each other yesterday at three times more force than ever before. In a milestone for the \$10-billion US Large Hadron Collider's ambitious bid to reveal details about theoretical particles and microforces, scientists at the European Organization for Nuclear Research, or CERN, took high-tech photographs so they could study the disintegrating protons after they collided at a combined energy level of seven trillion electron volts. In a control room, scientists erupted with applause when the first successful collisions were confirmed. Their colleagues from around the world were tuning in by remote links to witness the new record.

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News in brief

ITALY Premier Silvio Berlusconi emerged as the victor in regional elections held across Italy and widely depicted as a

test of his popularity, final returns showed yesterday. Berlusconi's coalition won crucial races and wrested control

of four regions from the opposition. The Northern League also fared very strongly.

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Quebec's veiled discrimination



f vou ask me, too many people wake up in the morning with the following first thought: Let's ban something.

Jean Charest, the pre-mier of Quebec, woke up recently and decided to ban the niqab and the burqa, the veils favoured by a few ultra-orthodox Muslim women that cover everything but their eyes.

I'm not going to waste your time arguing about pros and cons of the burga and the nigab.

But I do not want to live in a country that allows one of its provinces to ban religious or secular adorn-

the burqa, he can also ban, in no particular order: Honking big crucifixes; Mohawk haircuts; turbans; phylacteries; plaid golf pants; and Speedos for all men more than 150 pounds.

Have you ever come across a squadron of middle-aged weekend bicycle warriors decked out in lemon-lime lycra? Shouldn't they be banned, too? How about really bad

toupees? Take them down! We're not talking about an epidemic here. According to one estimate, there are about 25 offenders altogether in Quebec. There are probably more people wearing leashes and dog collars who like to be es corted around town on all fours by their favorite dominatrix.

It looks as if I'm in the minority here. According to Angus Reid, 95 per cent of the Blocheads Québé-

cois are in favour of the ban, naturally, although it's OK for them to smoke Gauloises and end up with COPD and become wards of the medical system.

Perhaps more surpris-ing, 80 per cent of the Rest Canada also supports the ban, so by picking on a few Muslim women, Charest has unified the nation. Way to go, Jean.

give our It's time to give our heads a shake. This is the land of freedom. Thou-

sands have fought and died for our right to remain free. It's the basis of our democracy. If some people are a little different, we can tolerate that It's called diversity, and in this nasty, censorious world it's the hope of the future. Even in what seem to be inappropriate expressions of the past.

Paul Sullivan is a Vancouver-based journalist and owner of Sullivan Media Consulting; vancouverletters@metronews.ca.

Word on the street: What's the first sure sign of spring for you?

Sarah **Balderson** Edmonton

A: The first sign of spring, I think, is the flowers blooming and the trees, the green grass. Just the nature part of it.

Anthony Kaumeyer Edmonton

A: The first sign of spring is lots of dirty cars. Everything is melting and the rain and slush.

Kelly Palfenier Edmonton

A: It used to be when I see the Fat Frank guys come out and start selling the hotdogs on the street. That's what I considerer the first sign of spring.

Bruce Beveridge Halifax

A: When the roads are clean and I can drive my motorcy-

Dani **Paulson** Ottawa

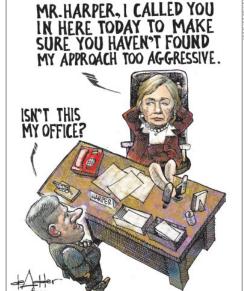
A: Legs. Definitely in the spring.

Buckingham Calgary

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A: I think rain is a sign of spring, and we had rain on Friday so that's a good sign. It's the transition from snow to





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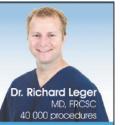
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Canada among most competitive: Study

ADVANTAGE A new study by an international accounting firm shows Canada is among the most competitive countries in the world in terms of the cost of doing business in the country. The KPMG group says

Canada enjoys a five-percent advantage over its closest competitor, the United States, and ranks only behind Mexico among 10 countries examined.

The firm, which conducts biennial studies on competitiveness, says a slight easing in exchange rates and tax cuts to corporations over the past two years have given Canada the edge against the U.S. from a break-even position in 2008. THE CANADIAN PRESS

China Hamburger University opens



Tim Fenton, left, McDonald's president for Asia, Pacific, Middle East and Africa, launches the Mc-Donald's Hamburger University with school officers in Shanghai, China, vesterday, It will train new generations of managers as foreign companies step up efforts to develop and keep Chinese talent. China is McDonald's fastest-growing global market as the country's \$300-billion-a-year "informal eating out" market expands at an annual rate of 10 per cent, said Fenton.

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Risky times for jokes

headlines with elaborate April Fools' Day ruses, but in today's economic climate, they're feeling conservative.

After all, pranksters are always taking a chance: The butt of the joke might laugh, but could scowl. When times are tense, the risk is even greater.

"There's been quite a significant mindset shift since 9-11 on both sides of the spectrum, companies on one side and consumers on the other," says Merril Mascarenhas, managing partner at Arcus Consulting Group, a Toronto-based research and strategy consulting firm.

In the '80s and '90s, peo ple were more relaxed and open to pranks, Mascarenhas says. But these days,

Fast food joke

For April Fools' Day in 1998, Burger King cleverly launched left-handed Whoppers, designed to reduce condiment spillage for

businesses and consumers are feeling insecure and marketers are opting for grounded and transparent communication

over anything frivolous, he says. A March he Arcus survey of 430 senior marketing execu-tives found 66 per cent were looking for risk-adverse rather than new and innovative ways to stay in the forefront of their

Corporate pranks can be useful marketing strategies, but only if they fit the company brand, says David Soberman, a professor of marketing at the University of Toronto's Rotman School of Management. Pranks might be best suited for companies that already poke fun at themselves, such as A&W, he TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE









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Loss widens at gas producer

Canadian Superior blames weak prices, massive restructuring

Weak natural gas prices and costs associated with an extensive restructuring at Canadian Superior Energy Inc. led to widened losses for both the fourth quarter and full year of fiscal 2009, the company said yesterday.

The Calgary-based natural gas producer reported a net loss of \$63.9 million for the quarter ended Dec. 31, more than doubling losses of \$18.2 million cents per share booked in the same quarter of 2008.

The loss per share amounted to 32 cents for the quarter, compared with a loss of 11 cents per share a year earlier.

Apart from a 25 per cent decline in quarterly sales, which sagged to \$9.9 million from year-earlier levels of \$13.2 million, Canadian Superior said the increase in red ink could be

Background

Canadian Superior explores and produces oil and natural gas and is developing a liquefied natural gas project.
 The company is active in Western Canada, Trinidad and Tobago, North Africa, off Eastern Canada and the U.S.

attributed to low natural gas prices as well as costs associated with a sweeping restructuring effort.

Canadian Superior spent six months under creditor protection, emerging in September.

The company reported \$18.8 million in restructuring costs for the year as well as a \$57.5 million writedown of petroleum and natural gas properties.

Natural gas pricing dragged full-year sales down by 55 per cent.

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Greece Spending cuts fuel discontent



Protesters carry a mock coffin with the symbol of the euro, during a demonstration in central Athens yesterday. Debt-strapped Greece toughened austerity measures this month and gained EU backing for a financial rescue plan, but the spending cuts also fueled public discontent.

Business in brief

AUTOS A report from Scotia Economics says global auto sales in February surged 26 per cent compared to a year ago, but Canada's exports aren't doing as well. Senior economist Carlos Gomes warns Canadian exports are being hurt by the industry's current focus on domestic markets. He says exports to the U.S. slumped 32 per cent last month, while Canadian auto parts claimed only 6.7 per cent of the U.S. market. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Deal-making in forestry sector down

STUDY Deal-making in the North American forest, paper and packaging industry essentially dried up last year and will likely remain minimal until companies in the sector improve their balance sheets, says a study released yesterday.

Only 45 deals with a total value of \$1 billion US were done in the region last year — a huge drop from 2008 when there were 61 deals worth \$11.6 billion involving North America, Pricewaterhouse-Coopers said in the study.

What's more, many of the North American transactions last year involved companies in financial distress as they tried to cope with high debt loads and poor markets, PwC said.

Latin America was the global industry's bright spot last year in terms of deal-making — there were 20 deals worth a total of \$12.5 billion in 2009, compared with 11 in 2008 worth just \$1 billion.

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Rvans staving in Houston

Star middle linebacker DeMeco Ryans is staying in Houston. A team official told The Associated Press last night that Ryans has agreed to a six-year contract with the Texans. Ryans was the 2006 AP Defensive Rookie of the Year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Metropolit done for season

Centre Glen Metropolit, left, will miss at least the rest of the regular n with a shoulder injury, the Montreal Canadiens announced yester day. Metropolit was injured during a 4-2 loss to the New Jersey Devils Saturday night. He is to undergo further tests this week to determine the full extent of the injury, coach Jacques Martin said.

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Comeback falls short

Red Wings blow 4-0 lead, but still win

NHL RESULTS

Oilers 4 Red Wings 5





Brad Stuart scored with 1:07 left to lift the Detroit to a 5-4 win over the Edmonton Oilers yesterday after the Red Wings blew a 4-0 secondperiod lead.

Johan Franzen had a goal and an assist, and Andreas Lilja, Nicklas Kronwall and Drew Miller also scored for Detroit, which won its sixth straight. Jimmy Howard stopped 22 shots.

Tom Gilbert scored twice, Mike Comrie added a goal and an assist, and Zack Stortini also scored for Edmonton. Jeff Deslauriers made 39 saves.

Stuart tipped Pavel Datsyuk's shot out of the air and past Deslauriers for his third goal. The play went to video replay to check if Stuart's stick was high.

Gilbert's second goal of the game, with 9:30 left in regulation, tied it at 4. He put in a one-time shot from the left circle for his fifth goal.

Stortini's wraparound goal made it 4-3, 3:03 into the third period. It was his fourth goal.

Detroit led 3-0 after the first period.

Lilja opened the scoring with his first goal, 6:38 into



Edmonton Oiler Shawn Horcoff tries to create some offence while being defended by Detroit Red Wing Henrik Zetterberg.

the game, when Valtteri Filppula's soft shot from the top of the left circle deflected in off of Lilja as he skated past the crease. The goal was originally credited to Filopula but was changed during the first intermis-

Kronwall made it 2-0 with 5:38 left in the first period with his sixth goal. He scored on a one-time snap shot from the slot. Miller put in a loose puck from the slot for his 10th goal to cap

the period with 27 seconds 1eft

Franzen's power-play goal with 3:29 left in the second period made it 4-0. He got his 10th goal on a one-time shot from the slot

But Edmonton scored twice in 56 seconds to trail 4-2 at the end of two periods

Gilbert's first goal, on the power play, put the Oilers on the scoreboard with 2:58 left in the middle period.

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Sports in brief

SOCCER Bayern Munich showed Manchester United what it's like to lose a crucial

Champions League match in injury time with a 2-1 victory yesterday, while Lyon beat Bordeaux 3-1 in another quarter-final match. United can still advance to the semifinals for a fourth straight year with as little as a 1-0 win.

TRADE The Florida Marlins acquired left-hander Nate Robertson from the Detroit Tigers for left-hander Jay Voss yesterday. The trade enables Robertson to start with the Marlins and assures lefthander Dontrelle Willis a spot in the Detroit rotation.

NFL Pittsburgh Steelers receiver Santonio Holmes denies hurting a woman who says he threw a glass at her in an Orlando nightclub and claims another woman hit her with the cup, according to a police report released vesterday. TRACK Caster Semenya says she

will return to competitive racing this season, releasing a statement on the same day she was denied a chance to run at a meet in South Africa because the results from her gender verification tests have not yet been released. The 19-year-old Semenya said yesterday that she has not done anything wrona. METRO NEWS SERVICES





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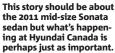
Green with EN-V

General Motors recently unveiled a trio of electric "urban mobility vehicles," built with help from the über-geeks at Segway. They're called Electric Networked Vehicles (EN-V) and they're designed for cities bursting at the seams with traffic.

A Sonata you can be proud of

2011 model affordable and sexy

JIM ROBINSON for Metro Canada



It wasn't so long ago that Hyundai thought it was a banner year if they told 25,000 units. In 2009, it sold 103,233 making Hyundai one of only six car companies exceed to 100,000 in sales in Canada. In January of this year alone, they sold 6,084 vehi-

But the big number is Hyundai's 7.1 per cent of the market in 2009 up from 4.9 per cent in 2008. For those of you who follow the car industry, a jump like that is unheard of.

How are they doing this when others are faltering?

The 2011 Sonata says it all. The car is solid, even fun to drive which you couldn't have said about a Hyundai 10 years ago. And in a break from Sonatas that have gone before, it looks great.

Hyundai vehicles now have a substantial residual (trade-in) value. The Sonata, for example, has a residual of 53 per cent that is higher than Camry or Fusion at 49 per cent each.

Hyundai is coming to market with a hybrid in the fall. Rather than being late



Hyundai says that 2011 Sonata has the

best interior volume and fuel economy in the mid-size sedan segment.

2011 **Hyundai Sonata** Type: Mid-size sedan **Price:** from \$22,649 Engine: 2.4-litre, DOHC four-cylinder HP: 198

Highlights

- Feels like a European sedan
- Impressive styling Affordable

in the rush to electrics, Hyundai is actually moving ahead of the rest with a lithium-polymer battery that can be shaped to fit instead of being a big box of

No longer a "cheap and cheerful" A to B sedan, the 2011 Sonata is also part of a plan to get across the message that Hyundai now stands for quality which we saw begin with the Genesis

But what really stands out is the styling. To me, this is the first Hyundai to look enticing.

With a touch of C-Class at the front and mixture of Lexus/Bimmer at the back, there is a wonderful character line running from the headlight along with door window sill and capped with chrome that makes the kind of "look at statement me' that Hyundai has never made before.

Power is Hyundai's new gasoline direct injection (GDI) 2.4-litre, twin cam inline four-cylinder engine. GDI results in more power and less fuel consumption At 198 hp and 164 lb/ft of torque, which is a lot for 2.4-litres, Hyundai claims it is the most fuel-efficient in the segment at 8.7/5.7L/100 km city/highway for the sixspeed manual transmission and 9.4/5.7L/100 km with the six-speed automatic.

The base GL (\$22,649) comes with the manual or with the optional automat-GLS ic (\$24,249). The (\$26,249), Limited (\$28,999) and Limited with navigation system (\$30,999) are all fitted with

During my time at the wheel I noticed the engine sounded gruff at startup but that went away quickly and then became almost silent at speed. I know the engine bay is well noise proofed so it must have been the tires and the slippery shape that paid off in the lack of sound intrusion

handler, the Sonata not only points well, but it has a feel more like a European sedan. You sense with the

inputs coming through the steering wheel to the fingertips which I really can't quite remember in previous Sonatas.

What Hyundai has in the 2011 Sonata is an affordable car with the kind of looks and reliability that consumers in the mid-size segment now consider seriously as the sales numbers are already proving.

But I also think it goes beyond that. It's the first Hyundai people can aspire to own, not because of the fuel economy or the price, but because they are proud to have a Hyundai in their driveway.



2011 Sierra Denali HD

GMC packs more power in Denali

NEW MODEL GMC has announced the new 2011 Sierra Denali HD, the first offering of the exclusive Denali line on a heavy-duty GMC pickup.

The Sierra Denali HD leads a comprehensively redesigned lineup of 2011 Sierra 2500HD and 3500HD trucks that go on sale in early summer including the most powerful diesel engine in the segment.

Sierra HD's new 6.6-litre Duramax turbo diesel delivers 397 hp at 3,000 rpm and 765 lb/ft of torque at 1,600 rpm.

The iconic Denali fourbar, chrome grille with round air inlets distinguishes the Sierra Denali HD on the outside, along with body-color bumpers, chrome door handles, chrome accents and 18- and 20-inch polished forged aluminum wheels

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Professional car torch passes from Crown Vic



oni Mitchell might have said it best: "You don't know what you got, till it's gone."

Or maybe it was the garage band, The Monks: "I hate you with a passion baby... but call me!"

In any case, you get the sentiment. A fixture in your life suddenly packs a suit-case and heads out the door. You don't know whether to laugh or cry.

I was thrown into such a conflicted state with the recent announcement that Ford is readying a new police car based on the new Taurus.

We knew it already, but this gives real finality to the coming curtain call of the Crown Victoria and its two stable mates — Mercury Grand Marquis and Lincoln Town Car. The only reason these cars have lasted this long is because they are loved by those with "professional car" needs — police forces, funeral operators, and limousine, rental and taxi fleets. And not because these cars are technically advanced. But rather, because they're not technically advanced.

They are the last full-size American cars standing with body-on-frame construction, V8 power and a transmission shifter mounted on the steering column.

"That platform has to go back to the 1970s," says Walt McCall, over the phone from Windsor, Ont. McCall literally wrote the book on



professional vehicles (18 of them actually, with a specialty in hearses and fire trucks).

He adds that the police business basically fell into Ford's lap, after Chrysler and GM downsized and "front-drived" their largest sedans.

While police vehicles based on Dodge Chargers and Chevrolet Impalas are making inroads, the Crown Vic police car still dominates. Chances are, if you have ever been "pulled over" for a discussion on a driving manoeuvre, and/or have been requested to spend a night or more in the "crowbar hotel," a Crown Victoria has been idling nearby.

The plant in St. Thomas, Ont., is the exclusive production facility for those dinosaurs; Ford said it would close the plant sometime in 2011. "No doubt we're in an era of change," says McCall. "There's a big question mark about these specialty vehicles, particularly which ones we will see used in the funeral and limousine business."

So if you're not in the business of moving dead bodies around, should you be worried about the looming passing of this automotive form, the big-frame "three-box" sedan?

I'm a little verklempted, but most people seem to be taking it in stride.

Jamie Bull, general manager of Heritage Ford in Scarborough says no one is



Ford is readying a new police car based on its Taurus platform and finally calling it curtains for the the St. Thomas, Ont.-built Crown Victoria, arguably the most used cop vehicle.



busting his door down, looking for new Crown Vices. For one, thing, they're only available to bona fide fleet accounts. For another, because many go into rental service, year-old ones can be

had at considerable savings (\$18,000 vs \$35,000).

Bull adds the vehicles

Bull adds the vehicles have their devotees, but they're definitely not a big, unruly group. Generally, he says, "these are buyers looking for a big, simple car, with not too many buttons and switches."

Michael Goetz has been writing about cars and editing automotive publications for over 20 years. He lives in Toronto with his family and a neglected 1967 Jaguar E-type.

Corvette unleashes Carbon

sports car When the 2006 Corvette Z06 was introduced, it represented the closest connection to the Corvette race cars ever. The 2009 Corvette ZR1

The 2009 Corvette ZR1 closed the gap between racing and production even further. This year, Corvette continues its tradition of track-to-street technology transfer with the 2011 Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition.

"Designed to further incorporate technology developed through racing, the Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition is a tribute to the 50th anniversary of Corvette's first race in the 24 Hours of LeMans," said Jim Campbell, Chevrolet general manager. "With a limited production of 500 units, this car is a musthave for the true Corvette collector and driving enthusiast."

The Corvette Z06 Carbon Limited Edition is another example of the expanded Corvette line-up. Five years ago, customers had the choice of a Corvette coupe or convertible. With the addition of the Z06, Grand Sport coupe and convertible and ZR1, Corvette enthusiasts now have more choices than ever.

"For track use, the Z06 Carbon is the best balanced Corvette yet. It combines the lightweight and naturally-aspirated Z06 engine with the road-holding and braking of the ZR1," said Tadge Juechter, Corvette Chief Engineer. "For technical tracks like Laguna Seca, the Z06 Carbon could shave up to three seconds off the Z06 lap time."

This limited edition Z06 will boast Brembo carbon ceramic brakes with specific dark gray metallic calipers.

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Fuel cell bus in development

A fuel cell-powered city bus is under development and is scheduled to be delivered to a Southern California transit agency in late 2011. BAE Systems, which produces hybrid electric propulsion systems for transit buses, is helping to developing the fuel cell bus. CANADIANDRIVER.COM

GTI brings hot hatch excitement

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MODEL: 2007 to 2009 Volkswagen GTI

VEHICLE TYPE: Three-door or five-door performance hatchback

APPROXIMATE USED PRICE RANGE: \$17,000 to \$24,000

HISTORY/DESCRIPTION: The

Volkswagen GTI has a long history of combining the utility of a hatchback and the performance of a

sports car. Volk-swagen has just updated the GTI Second for the 2010 model year, and the preceding generation has transitioned fully into the used car marketplace.

Gear

Last-generation GTI models were available in threeor five-door models from 2007 to 2009. This generation offer shoppers much of the same flexibility, per-formance and refinement as the 2010 model - but at a lower used-car price.

All last-gen GTI models

were powered by a two-liter four-cylinder engine with direct injection and an intercooled turbocharger. Output was rated at 200 horsepower, and transmission options included a sixspeed manual or a sixspeed dual-clutch Direct Shift Gearbox or DSG. The transmission functions as an automatic, but can also execute perfectly rev-matched and lightningfast shifts via shift paddles mounted to the steering wheel.

Look for options like a sunroof, heated leather, xenon lighting, 18-inch wheels, heated mirrors and a 10-speaker stereo system.

WHAT OWNERS LIKE: The GTI's performance was the big draw for most owners, though utility, mileage and overall quality and refinement of the vehicle were commonly praised, too.

WHAT OWNERS HATE: Some owners wish for a more



2007-09 Volkwagen GTIs pack both fun and dependability in one impressive hatchback.

comfortable ride, especially with the 18-inch wheels and low-profile

COMMON ISSUES: Thankfully, the last-generation GTI's engine seems to be largely free of the issues that plagued the 1.8 litre turbo engine in the generation before it. A few checks are still advised, though.

Watch for smoke from the tailpipe with the engine running and driving. Smoke could indicate a problem with the tur-bocharger or cylinder head.

Where possible, and especially on higher-mileage units, remove the plumb-

ing that connects the turbocharger to the intercooler and inspect for oil buildup inside. A thin film of oil is typically normalthough any pooling or heavy buildup could indi-cate worn out turbo seals.

A blocked PCV valve or worn-out diverter valve could cause weak or incon-

are easy parts to fix, but be sure to have your potential used GTI candidate inspected by a VW mechanic if vou're not comfortable with how it's running.

Numerous owners have had to reprogram or re-place the computer that controls the advanced DSG transmission. This relatively un-proven driveline component could be expensive to replace out of warranty - so if in doubt, just opt for the six-speed stick. Note that some delay between throttle application and forward motion is normal with the DSG transmission, but harsh shifting or 'surging' are not.
Finally, inspect all elec-

tric and electronic features for proper operation, and call the condition of any excessively worn-out tires or brakes into pricing ne-

THE VERDICT: A used last-generation VW GTI with a thumbs up from a mechanic should prove to be an exciting and dependable ride for years.



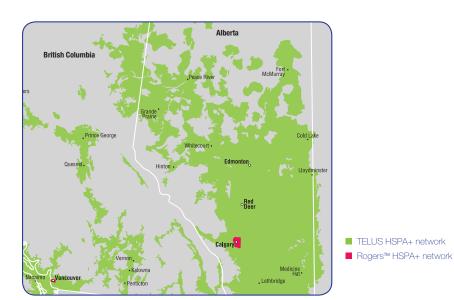




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Trinity Western gets artistic

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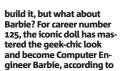
In recent months, Simon Fraser University has been building its support of open-access publishing of scholarly articles. In January, the university's senate library committee endorsed an openaccess strategy for the institution's library. Last month, SFU established an open-access fund to support university researchers who publish articles in open-access journals. Metro news services

Inspiring female engineers

Engineering the Future

During the month of March, Metro Workology focused on the engineering field and what it means to the aspiring engineer and the world as a whole. We hope you enjoyed it and thanks for reading. **Everybody knows Bob can**

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Mattel.com. The doll comes with a cellphone headset, laptop bag and pink laptop and was the first professional Barbie chosen by popular vote. So how do real-life engineers feel women

about engineer Barbie?

Elizabeth Croft, associate head of engineering at the University of British Columbia, says Barbie is a good ambassador for women engineers.

"I don't see the downside to this. Barbie's been a doctor and a lawyer It's only natural that she should also be an engineer," Croft says.

Croft noted only about 10 per cent of the engineering workforce is female and about 18 per cent of engineering students are female. She had no female engineering role models when she started in the profes-

She says it's a cultural issue, with people unconsciously thinking of engineering as a man's job. That changed with doctors and she says it's time for engineering to catch up. Perhaps Barbie can help engineer social change.

"I don't have any issues with Barbie. Barbie's come a long way," she says, noting she was a Lego girl herself. "I don't see the downside to this. Barbie's been a doctor and a lawyer. It's only natural that she should also be an engineer."

Elizabeth Croft, UBC's associate head of engineering

In Halifax, Corinne Mac-Donald, assistant engineering professor at Dalhousie University, laughs when she sees the image of Computer Engineer Barbie.

"Actually, I like it. She's not even wearing heels,' she says.

Like Croft, MacDonald didn't have any female engineering role models.

"That's probably one of the biggest problems we have in engineering. It's catch-22: There aren't a lot of women in engineering and to attract more women to engineering, we need more women in engineering," she says. "I think any opportunity we have to put that thought in girls' heads is a good thing." MacDonald was a stellar

math and science student in high school, but engineering never crossed her mind until she took a computer career test. Its top suggestion was engineering.

"At which I point I went, 'What's that?" she recalls. Her guidance counsellor filled her in and MacDonald started on the engineering path. Female role models, even plastic ones, help young women visualize themselves as engineers,

she says.
"I liked to play with Barbies, but I liked to play with building blocks, too. Maybe Barbie could run the project and boss all the other Barbies around," she laughs.



Computer Engineer Barbie, right, standing along side News Anchor Barbie, is the 125th version of the iconic doll. Only 10 per cent of the engineering workforce is female.



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Rolling into Mexico's gold coast party

Motorcycle fans gear up for five days of high-octane fun and adventure along Mexico's golden Pacific Coast. Mazatlán hosts the 15th Annual International Motorcycle Week, Apr. 7 – Apr. 11. This year's event is expected to draw more than 300,000 bikers and spectators to Mazatlán from across North America and Mexico. The centerpiece of the 2010 International Motorcycle Week is the Great Parade when more than 15,000 bikers join in this colorful procession of international motorcycle clubs, gomazatlan.com **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Bringing the mountain indoors

Cleveland quickly becoming a Mecca for extreme biker riders

SUSAN GREENWOOD Metro World News

Cleveland: Steel, flats as far as the eye can see, great piles of factories smoke curling into the sky, rivers cleaving their way through the mud.

Not a lot to commend it to the uninitiated.

To the seasoned mountain biker however Cleveland is Mecca.

For here, in the industrial heartland of the Mid West is Ray's Mountain Bike Park — the world's biggest - 100,000 square feet of ramps, routes, drop offs and jumps.

A bike heaven built from an old parachute warehouse and a refuge in the winter months when riding outside is only for the



Ray's is the world's largest indoor mountain bike park.

Skate and BMX parks are well established Europe and the pretty across United States. But Ray's is the first location to cater to all types of mountain bikers. Here, Lycra-clad cross-country folk share space

with dirt jumpers and the facilities are built to test and help you improve — your skills. There are technical rocky sections, places to practise your balance and a pit filled with foam for those keen to nail backflips without landing on

Want to go?

- There are lots of discount hotels in the area
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wood or concrete.

Rock music blares out from the sound system and bike videos play on a loop on the big flat screen TV.

The routes, which are mainly made of wood, were born back in 2004 with an 'if you build it, they will come' mentality and it's thrived ever since.

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Ray's caters to street riders, mountain bikers and dirt jumpers.





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Lost star Kim gets hitched

She may be "lost" for a few more episodes but Yunjin Kim has found the man of her dreams. The South Korean actress who plays Sun Kwon on ABC's hit Lost, married her boyfriend, Jeong Hyeok Park, in Hawaii on Sunday. PEOPLE.COM

Entertainment



Back to books

James Franco may be hitting the books ... again. The actor, 31, has been accepted to Yale University English Ph.D program, the Yale Herald reports, adding that he will begin in September.

Cyrus gets serious

Sparks' latest adaptation is predictable romance

The Last Song

Rating: 🕮

Director: Julie Anne Robinson
Stars: Miley Cyrus, Liam
Hemsworth, Kelly Preston,
Greg Kinnear
Classification: PG

ANNE BRODIE for Metro Canada

So Miley Cyrus is dating her co-star in The Last Song, Liam Hemsworth, a handsome tanned and blond Australian actor. Now that's out of the way, there's bigger news for Cyrus' fans in this moody movie written by Nicholas Sparks.

Cyrus doesn't sing but plays classical piano; instead of spreading her charm far and wide, she mopes and rebels and fails to thrive. She's irritable, depressed, dressed in teenaged angst black and just wants to be alone. You almost expect her to pull out a cigarette. Hannah Montana, the squeaky clean TV and movie supernova that made the Cyrus family famous and wealthy, is gone. At 17, Cyrus is attempting a brand relaunch as a serious actress.

She plays Ronnie, who's traumatised by the divorce of her parents and struggling to get her bearings in a world she no longer trusts. Rebellion boils over when she's sent to spend the summer with her estranged father (Greg Kinnear) at his beach house. She refuses to speak to him and takes off at the slightest whiff of parental concern. But the beach volleyball kids write her off as emo, and the tough kids try to lure her into drugs and violence. An alpha guy from the volleyball brigade named Will seems to like her without judging her, but Ronnie resists him because she's haunted by the fragility and heartbreak of love she witnessed in her parents' break-up.

But Ronnie and Will get to know each other on the beach, a sensual and romantic setting where sunrises, lapping waves and minimal clothing lead to longing stares and an occasional kiss. They bond over the plight of the sea turtle. But their romantic, sexless idyll is soon broken by tragedy. After all, this is a Nicholas Sparks story; chastity and misfortune make for plenty of bittersweet tears and repeat business.



Miley Cyrus leaves her cheery Hannah Montana persona behind in her latest role as an irritable, depressed teenager in The Last Song. It shows a good start in proving herself a dramatic actress.

Cyrus is interesting; she has unconventional looks, a voice like a trucker, atrocious posture, and frequent public lapses of good taste in evening wear. But she is magnetic and appealing with considerable screen presence. She is a star because of her winning persona, not the singing, or the dancing. She does her best to further herself as a dramatic actress and hopefully, she'll continue to find roles that will challenge her, and her fans.

The film's technical and artistic elements are easily digestible, the story relatively engaging and Sparks continues his sappy but winning ways. A Walk to Remember, Nights in Rodanthe, Dear John, the almighty The Notebook and The Last Song shape a new kind of contempo romance, driven by female perform-

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ances for young female audiences. In Cyrus' case, it's a good start to the journey of growing up that her fans will share.





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No Idol downtime

Latest castoff reflects on hectic schedule

The latest American Idol castoff says downtime doesn't exist when you're on the show.

"There are no days off," says 24-year-old Paige Miles.

After tonight's elimination show, there will be little time for sad goodbyes and reflection.

The contestants are required to have decided what song they'll sing for the following week by Thursday mornings. On Friday, they usually record the song for iTunes, and Saturdays are shoots with mentors, such as this week's guest, Usher.

On Sundays, they film music videos. Monday is filled with more recording and rehearsing.

The contestants also try to fit in shopping for that week's shows, as well as interviews with hometown media.

Miles says the jampacked schedule can affect the contestant's song choice.

"We think about (that)



American Idol's latest castoff Paige Miles.

while selecting songs," she said. "What can you truly push out everyday in re-

"We think about (that) ... What can you truly push out everyday in

everyday in rehearsal? What can you really commit to over the next several days?"

Paige Miles, American Idol castoff

hearsal? What can you really commit to over the next several days?"

Last week, she was sent home after singing a version of Against All Odds that Randy Jackson described as "terrible" and Kara DioGuardi said it was possibly the worst vocal of the season.

The 10 contestants now remaining on American Idol will take part in the annual summer tour after the season ends.

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UK's Lythgoe to receive award

HONOUR UK uberproducer Nigel Lythgoe is being honoured with an award of excellence at the Banff World Tele-



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Lythgoe

vision Festival and will deliver a keynote address.

The outspoken Brit is the driving force behind many of television's mostwatched reality shows including American Idol, Survivor (UK) and Pop Idol (UK).

In front of the camera, he's best known as a judge on So You Think You Can Dance?, which he also executive produces and cocreated.

As a choreographer, Lythgoe has worked with celebrities including Gene Kelly, Bing Crosby, Shirley Bassey and the Muppets.

Other TV stars set to speak at the four-day conference include comic Ricky Gervais, and the masterminds behind The Good Wife, Dexter, The Big Bang Theory and Breaking Bad.

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Celebrity Buzz

Courting Courtney

OBVIOUSLY HAS A THING FOR WASHED-UP BLONDES Courtney Love is dating Uma Thurman's ex-fiancé, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Hole singer - widow of Nirvana frontman Kurt Cobain — began romancing hotelier André Balazs earlier this year and is completely smitten with the handsome businessman and insists the feeling is mutual.

She wrote in an email to a friend: "I'm in lurve (sic).

It's nice. Scary. I'm a great catch and he can be a bad boy but he loves me.

He is the sweetest thing and he actually totally does respect me. His manners are impeccable but he is funny too (sic).

Love — who has repeatedly claimed to have been defrauded of her wealth by various people · has been staving in a suite at the Mercer

Hotel in New York, which her new beau owns, but now says she is spoilt by choices over places where she can stay.

"He has properties everywhere and has given me the key to his apartment, but what is better than living in his hotel?" she said.

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Celeb**Tweets**

ELIZABETH BANKS is looking to celebrate, GOLDIE **HAWN** is enjoying the view, and CONAN O'BRIEN is learning about different religions.

@ElizabethBanks RNC partied at Voyeur? That's where we had my bday party. I wanna party with the RNC & fret about Armageddon!

@goldiehawn Full moon tonight. The mountains surrounding our house are alowing white, mystical, I am reminded of the magic of life. Look up and dream

Jewish fun fact: If you celebrate Passover on top of an overpass, you go back in time.

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Puff, puff, pass the pumps

GOES, RIGHT? Lindsay Lohan has chosen an interesting way of addressing the cloud of suspicion she's been under since being snapped with white powder pumping out of high-heels: Attack George Lopez,

ports. The Mean Girls star took to her Twitter (what else?) to take on the comedian over a supposed

popeater.com re-

joke he made on the Monday episode of his latenight talk show. George Lopez Tonight.

According to reports, Lopez joked Lohan uses baby powder to loosen up her snug shoes.

seemingly harmless riff set off Lohan, who wrote: 'Thanks for the childish comment regarding baby powder in my shoes to

loosen up leather ...

don't you have kids?" She then added, "Act like

a grown man, have some respect and dignity for yourself."

Lopez did not make the jab during his monologue, nor in any clips made available by TBS for Monday.

Lohan was leaving a friend's house in Los Angeles on Saturday when a generous amount of white powder started shooting out of her shoes.

In some angles, it appeared there was smoke puffing out of her feet.

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Not taking the kids

OH BUDDY, YOU REALLY MESSED THIS ONE UP Reports that Sandra Bullock was going to go ahead with plans to adopt Jesse James' children despite their marital troubles are apparent-

lv false. There are no plans, nor have there ever been any plans, for Sandra Bullock to adopt any of Jesse James' children," her rep tells People magazine. Meanwhile, a source insists Bullock is going ahead with the divorce

proceedings because the last month has left her feeling humiliated, sources tell Radar Online.

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Carrie would

BE MORE LIKE THE FICTIONAL CHARACTER YOU PLAY? Sarah Jessica Parker is no good at giving relationship advice, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The Sex and the City star - who has three children with her husband of 12 years, Matthew Broderick - isn't an expert when it comes to romance, but thinks it's important for someone to have complete faith in their partner.

"Oh, I am not a good advice giver but I would say the obvious - lack of communication where things go wrong for people," she said.

"I'm certainly no expert in relationships, knows, but you God need to be with someone who believes in you 100 per cent. If you

don't have that, there's no

The 45-year-old actress wants to be happily married for the rest of her life, and has admitted wants to continue kissing her co-stars and husband until she is 70 or 80 years old.

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Indian Spicy Potatoes with Spinach and Lentils

INGREDIENTS:

750 g potatoes, peeled and cubed 250 g spinach 3 1/2 tbsp peanut oil 1 onion, finely sliced

2-in. piece fresh ginger, peeled and finely chopped 1 green chili pepper, halved, seeded and finely sliced

1 tsp ground coriander 1/4 tsp ground turmeric 2 x 250-g packages cooked green lentils 2 garlic cloves, cut into fine shreds

1/2 tsp cumin seeds

2 tbsp chopped cilantro

1. Cook potatoes until just tender. Drain.

2. Meanwhile, cook spinach in steamer over potatoes 3-4 minutes, or pierce bag of spinach several times and cook in microwave 2-3 minutes to wilt. Tip into colander and drain, squeezing out liquid with spoon.

3. Heat large pan with 3 tbsp oil. Add onion and cook over medium heat 2 minutes, then stir in ginger, chili pepper, coriander and turmeric. Cook a few sec onds, then add potato cubes and stir-fry 3-4 minutes. Stir spinach into spicy potato mixture together with lentils. Season to taste. Heat gently until piping hot.

4. Heat remaining oil in small pan. Add garlic and cumin; cook until lightly browned. Stir in half of cilantro. Tip potato and lentil mixture into serving dish and sprinkle with garlic and cumin mixture and remaining cilantro.

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ARIES MARCH 21-APRIL 20

You need to bring balance and stability to your financial situation. Give it some thought.

LIBRA SEPT 23-OCT 23

Practice what you preach today or leave yourself open to criti-cism. Resist the urge to cut corners and don't try to get something for nothing.

TAURUS APRIL 21-MAY 21

If a situation calls for tact today you will use it and get whatever it is that you desire.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

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Relationships of all kinds are about to enter a gentler, more tranquil phase. But don't let others think you've turned into an easy touch.

GEMINI MAY 22-JUNE 21

Cosmic activity in the most sensitive area of your chart suggests there is something you would rather the world did not find out about you.

On the web

SAGITTARIUS NOV 23-DEC 21

Make sure that what you have to do gets done properly. Don't cut corners or your reputation will suffer in the long-term.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22 You can quite easily persuade other people to see things your way but make sure your way is the right way if you want to stay popular.

CAPRICORN **DEC 22-JAN 20**

Why make life more complicated than it needs to be? What is meant to happen will happen at the right time.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

How important is ambition to you? Today's transit of Venus over the midheaven angle of your chart urges you to remember that it isn't everything.

AQUARIUS

JAN 21-FEB 18
Make an effort to please other people today. Not everyone may deserve it but it will do your reputation a great deal of

VIRGO AUG 24-SEPT 22

The less you reveal about your comings and goings today the more others will be intrigued.

FFR 19-MARCH 20

You can get away with almost anything today, but that is not an excuse to break the rules.

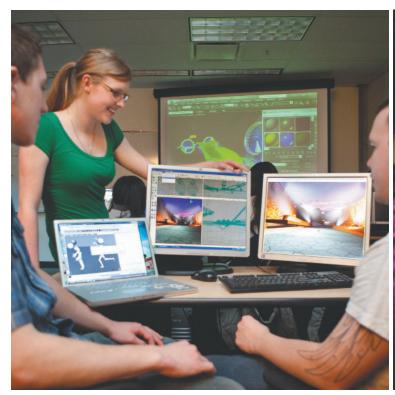


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